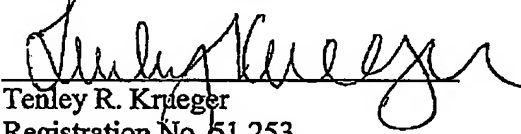


REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated January 9, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 9, 2006. Applicants have attached a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136, extending the statutory period until May 9, 2006.

Notification is hereby being made of the filing of a continuation application for this case prior to the expiration of the extended statutory period. The present application is being abandoned upon the expiration of the extended statutory period (May 9, 2006.)

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